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In response to the Official Communication of January 7, 2002, Applicants submit herewith a paper copy and a computer readable form copy of the Sequence Listing in compliance with applicable requirements. Applicant also submits herewith the requisite statement of no new matter and a statement that the paper and computer readable form copies are identical. The specification has been amended to incorporate the Sequence Listing.

Applicant has now responded in entirety to the Official Communication and now respectfully requests an examination of the application on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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